

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1, 3 and 46 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 2, 4-6, 11, 13, 21, 26 and 28 as follows:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently Amended) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 1 ~~5~~,  
at least a portion of both of said outer-most margin and said outer-most edge extending  
radially beyond the hangrail when the base assembly is received on the rack.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 3 ~~5~~,  
said outer-most margin being generally circular in shape.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~The display apparatus as claimed in claim 3;~~ A product  
display apparatus for displaying products above a clothing rack wherein the clothing rack includes  
a generally circular hangrail for removably supporting clothing hangers by their hooks, said product  
display apparatus comprising:  
a base assembly adapted to be received on the clothing rack,

said base assembly defining an outer-most margin radially spaced from the longitudinal center of the rack when the base assembly is received on the rack,

said base assembly including a tray-supporting surface spaced a hanger dimension above the hangrail when the base assembly is received on the rack wherein said hanger dimension is greater than the height of the hanger hooks so that the hooks can be removed from the hangrail when the base assembly is received on the rack; and

at least one display tray supported on the tray-supporting surface and defining an outer-most edge radially spaced from the center of the rack when the base assembly is received on the rack,

at least a portion of either said outer-most margin or said outer-most edge extending radially beyond the hangrail when the base assembly is received on the rack,

said tray-supporting surface sloping downwardly from the center thereof toward the outer-most margin.

6. (Currently Amended) The display apparatus as claimed in claim  $\pm$  5,  
said base assembly including a plurality of removably interconnected modular truss sections,  
each of said truss sections forming a portion of said tray-supporting surface.

7. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 6,  
each of said truss sections including a lateral arm adapted to support the respective truss  
section on the hangrail when the base assembly is received on the rack and a  
longitudinal arm suspended within the hangrail when the base assembly is received  
on the rack.

8. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 7,  
each of said longitudinal arms being spaced from the rack when the base assembly is  
received on the rack so that the base assembly is entirely supported on the rack by the  
engagement of the lateral arms and the hangrail.

9. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 7,  
said base assembly further including an endless washer element encircling at least a portion  
of each of the longitudinal arms to thereby interconnect said longitudinal arms.

10. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 6,  
said plurality of truss sections including eight sections wherein each of the eight sections  
forms a generally equal portion of said tray-supporting surface.

11. (Currently Amended) The display apparatus as claimed in claim  $\pm$  5,  
said display tray being removably supported on the tray supporting surface.

12. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 11,  
said tray-supporting surface presenting said outer-most margin and sloping downwardly  
from the center thereof toward the outer-most margin,  
said display tray including at least one retaining tab removably received through said tray-  
supporting surface to generally prevent said display tray from sliding down said  
surface.

13. (Currently Amended) The display apparatus as claimed in claim  $\pm$  5; and  
a plurality of additional display trays supported on the tray-supporting surface and each  
defining an outer-most edge radially spaced from the center of the rack and extending  
radially beyond the hangrail when the base assembly is received on the rack.

14. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 13,  
each of said first-mentioned and additional display trays defining an inner-most edge  
adjacent the center of the rack when the base assembly is received on the rack and  
further defining an intermediate bin section defined between said inner-most and  
outer-most edges and adapted to receive products.

15. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 14,  
each of said intermediate bin sections presenting at least one bin width dimension, each of  
said inner-most edges presenting an inner edge width dimension, and each of said  
outer-most edges presenting an outer edge width dimension wherein said bin width  
dimension is greater than both of said inner and outer edge widths dimensions so that  
each display tray tapers from the intermediate bin section toward the edges.

16. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 13,  
said base assembly including a plurality of removably interconnected modular truss sections  
wherein each of said truss sections forms a generally equal portion of said tray-  
supporting surface,  
each of said truss sections being associated with a corresponding one of said display trays.

17. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 16,  
each of said display trays including at least one retaining tab extending through the equal  
portion of said tray-supporting surface formed by the corresponding truss section.

18. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 16,  
each of said equal portions of said tray-supporting surface being generally triangular in  
configuration,

each of said truss sections including a pair of side walls that extend downwardly from said equal portion of said tray-supporting surface.

19. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 18,  
each of said display trays being configured to fit within the side walls of the corresponding truss section.

20. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 14; and  
a sign supported on the tray-supporting surface between the inner-most edges of said display trays,  
said sign extending above said display trays.

21. (Currently Amended) The display apparatus as claimed in claim ~~1~~ 5,  
said display tray including a rear-wall panel having a rear-wall height and a rear-wall width  
and front-wall panel having a front-wall height and a front-wall width wherein the  
front-wall height is smaller than the rear-wall height and the front-wall width is at  
least as wide as the rear-wall width.

22. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 21,  
said display tray further including a pair of spaced side-wall panels that define an internal  
storage bin adapted to store products.

23. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 22,  
said side-wall panels tapering inwardly generally from the middle toward the rear-wall to  
define a tapered rear section and tapering inwardly generally from the middle toward  
the front-wall to define a tapered front section.

24. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 23,  
said side-wall panels each including at least one retaining tab removably retaining the display  
tray in an operative position on the tray-supporting surface.

25. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 24; and  
a plurality of additional display trays each being configured similarly to the first-mentioned  
display tray wherein the tapered rear sections of the display trays are positioned  
adjacent one another to form a generally polygonal arrangement.

26. (Currently Amended) ~~The display apparatus as claimed in claim 1,~~ a base  
assembly adapted to be received on the clothing rack,

said base assembly defining an outer-most margin radially spaced from the longitudinal center of the rack when the base assembly is received on the rack,  
said base assembly including a tray-supporting surface spaced a hanger dimension above the hangrail when the base assembly is received on the rack wherein said hanger dimension is greater than the height of the hanger hooks so that the hooks can be removed from the hangrail when the base assembly is received on the rack; and  
at least one display tray supported on the tray-supporting surface and defining an outer-most edge radially spaced from the center of the rack when the base assembly is received on the rack,  
at least a portion of either said outer-most margin or said outer-most edge extending radially beyond the hangrail when the base assembly is received on the rack,  
said base assembly being formed of a corrugated material.

27. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 26,  
said corrugated material being paper.

28. (Currently Amended) The display apparatus as claimed in claim + 5,  
said base assembly being formed substantially of wire.

29. (Original) A method of displaying a plurality of first products on the same display with a plurality of second products wherein the first products differ from the second products, said method comprising the steps of:

- (a) supporting the first products on a display rack;
- (b) removably supporting a modular display base on top of the display rack;
- (c) removably supporting a plurality of display bins on the display base so that at least a portion of each display bin extends over the outer perimeter of the display rack; and
- (d) supporting the second products in the display bins.

30. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 29,  
step (a) including the steps of supporting the first products on hangers and supporting the hangers on the display rack.

31. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 30,  
said display rack including a generally circular hangrail,  
said hangers being slidably received on said hangrail.

32. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 31,  
said at least a portion of each display bin comprising an outer-most edge thereof radially  
spaced from the center axis of the circular hangrail when said display bins are  
supported on the display base,  
said outer-most edges extending radially beyond the hangrail,  
step (b) including the step of supporting the display base on the hangrail and spacing at least  
a predominate portion of the display base from said hangrail to permit the hangers  
to be slidably received on the hangrail under said predominate portion of said display  
base.

33. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 29,  
step (b) including the steps of removably interconnecting a plurality of modular truss  
sections to form said display base and arranging the truss sections so that each  
section forms a generally equivalent portion of a generally circular bin-supporting  
surface at the top of said display base.

34. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 33,  
said bin-supporting surface defining an outer-most margin that extends radially beyond the  
outer perimeter of the display rack.

35. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 34,  
said bin-supporting surface sloping downwardly from the center axis thereof toward the  
outer-most margin,  
step (c) including the steps of forming at least one retaining tab in each of the display bends  
and placing the retaining tabs through the bin-supporting surface to prevent the  
display bins from sliding down the bin-supporting surface.

36. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 33,  
step (b) including the step of forming the modular truss sections out of corrugated paper.

37. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 29,  
step (c) including the steps of forming at least six display bins wherein each of the bins  
presents a generally hexagonal horizontal cross sectional shape and arranging the  
display bins adjacent one another on the display base in a generally polygonal  
arrangement.

38. (Original) A modular product display apparatus comprising:  
at least one product display tray defining an internal product display bin,  
said display tray including side-wall panels tapering inwardly toward the rear of the display  
bin; and

a support platform for supporting the display tray on a product display rack,  
said display tray including at least one retaining tab engagingly received in the support platform to thereby retain the display tray in an operative position on a support platform,  
said support platform including a plurality of intercommunicating support segments that cooperate to form the support platform and each being adapted to receive the retaining tab,  
said support segments being positioned in a substantially circular or polygonal configuration on the product display rack.

39. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 38,  
said support platform including eight of the support segments.

40. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 38,  
said support platform further including a retaining washer engagingly received on the support segments to thereby retain the support segments in their substantially circular or polygonal configuration.

41. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 38,  
said support platform defining a tray-supporting surface,

said tray-supporting surface presenting a substantially outwardly downward slope towards an outer perimeter of the product display rack.

42. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 38, said display tray further including a rear-wall panel presenting a rear-wall height and a rear-wall width and front-wall panel presenting a front-wall height and a front-wall width wherein the front-wall height is smaller than the rear-wall height and the front-wall width is at least as wide as the rear-wall width.

43. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 38; and an information display unit adapted to display indicia on at least one side thereof.

44. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 43, said support platform further including a central portion, said information display unit being supported on said central portion.

45. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 44, said central portion of said support platform being generally conical in shape.

46. (Canceled)

47. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 43,  
said indicia on the information display unit including product information indicia.

48. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 43,  
said indicia on the information display unit including advertising indicia.

49. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 38,  
said internal display bin presenting a tapered rear section defined between the tapering  
side-wall panels and the rear of the bin.

50. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 49; and  
a plurality of additional product display trays each being similarly configured to the at least  
one product display tray,  
the tapered rear sections of the product display trays being positioned adjacent one another  
to present a generally circular or polygonal arrangement.

51. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 38,  
at least one of said support segments including a tab-receiving support slot,

said display tray including a bottom panel,  
said retaining tab being substantially coplanar with one of the side-wall panels and non-coplanar with the bottom panel and extending there below to be engagingly received in said support slot.

52. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 38,  
said support segments being formed from corrugated paper.

53. (Original) The display apparatus as claimed in claim 38,  
said support segments being substantially formed of wire.